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INCREASED HOUSING CAPACITY IN EXISTING PRISONS

AND OTHER STATE FACILITIES

- This bill will provide authority to reactivate the closed Northern California Women's Facility in Stockton as a prison for male inmates.
 - The existing facility contains approximately 800 beds.
 - This facility is currently being used to increase to train correctional officer cadets.
 - Replacement training facilities will be created in order to maintain current capacity to address peace officer staffing vacancies.
 - An existing capacity limit on the facility is being deleted to allow for construction of additional inmate housing.
- This bill will allow the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to temporarily house inmates at Coalinga State Hospital.
 - Capacity of Coalinga State Hospital is not being fully utilized, allowing for the temporary housing for up to 1,000 inmates.
- This bill will authorize the construction of new housing units containing 14,600 beds at existing prison facilities.
 - Construction will consist of both celled and dormitory housing units.
 - Buildings containing areas for inmate programs, prison support and health care purposes will also be constructed.
 - Construction periods for these buildings would range from 18 to 48 months.
- This bill will authorize the Public Works Board to issue revenue bonds to finance the construction of these projects.
- This bill will appropriate \$234 million from the General Fund for the purposes of renovating and expanding the infrastructure at existing prison facilities.
 - Infrastructure systems at many existing prisons require immediate repairs in order to continue providing service to existing housing capacity.
 - This funding will also expand infrastructure capacity at prisons slated for construction of new housing units.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION. 1. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is authorized to house male inmates at the institution formerly Northern California Women's Facility in Stockton.

- SEC. 2. Section 2.5 of Chapter 1416 of the Statutes of 1987 is repealed.

 Sec. 2.5. Notwithstanding Section 1 of Chapter 1549 of the Statutes of 1982, as amended by Chapter 165 of the Statutes of 1987 or any other provision of law, the Department of Corrections is authorized to house more than 400, but no more than 800, women at the Northern California Women's Facility located on the grounds of the Northern California Youth Center in San Joaquin County. This action is necessary to alleviate severe overcrowding at the California Institution for Women in Frontera.
- SEC. 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, with the consent of the Department of Mental Health, the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation may house state prison inmates at Coalinga State Hospital.
- SEC. 4. The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is authorized to renovate or construct and establish additional housing units, related support buildings or facilities, and construct necessary security enhancements for these projects, at existing prison facilities.
- SEC. 5. Chapter 3.21 (commencing with Section 15819.35) is added to the Government Code, to read:
 - Chapter 3.21. Financing for Expansion of Existing Prison Facilities
 - 15819.35. The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation may acquire land for, design, construct, or renovate, prison housing units, prison support

buildings and other related buildings or structures, as authorized in Section 4 of the act enacting this section. The scope and costs of these projects shall be subject to approval and administrative oversight by the State Public Works Board, including augmentations, pursuant to Sections 13332.11 or 13332.19.

15819.36. For all projects approved for financing by the board pursuant to Section 15819.35, the board may borrow funds for project costs, including acquisition, studies, preliminary plans and working drawings, construction and construction related costs from the Pooled Money Investment Account pursuant to Sections 16312 and 16313. Project funds expended prior to project approval by the board shall not be reimbursable from the proceeds of the bonds.

15819.37. (a) The board may issue revenue bonds, negotiable notes, or negotiable bond anticipation notes pursuant to this part, to finance the acquisition, design, or construction, and the costs of interim financing, of prison construction or renovation projects authorized in Section 15819.35. Authorized costs for acquisition, design, construction, and construction related costs, for all projects approved for financing by the board pursuant to Section 15819.35, shall not exceed ________ dollars (\$_________). (b) Notwithstanding Section 13340, funds derived from interim financing, revenue bonds, negotiable notes, or negotiable bond anticipation notes issued pursuant to this chapter are hereby continuously appropriated to the board on behalf of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for the purposes specified in Section 15819.35.

(c) For the purposes of this section, "construction related costs" may include mitigation costs of local government and school districts and may be made available pursuant to subdivisions (c) and (d) of Section 7005.5 of the Penal Code.

- 15819.38. Notwithstanding Section 15819.37, the amount of revenue bonds, negotiable notes, or negotiable bond anticipation notes to be sold shall equal the following:
- (a) The cost of acquisition, design, construction or construction management and supervision, and other costs related to the design and construction of the facilities, including augmentations.
 - (b) Sums necessary to pay interim financing.
- (c) In addition to the amount authorized by Section 15819.37, any additional amount as may be authorized by the board, including, but not limited to, the costs of financing. The costs of financing include, but are not limited to, interest during construction of the project, a reasonably required reserve fund, and the cost of issuance of permanent financing.
- SEC. 6. The sum of two hundred thirty-four million dollars (\$234,000,000) is hereby appropriated from the General Fund to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation for capital outlay purposes to renovate, improve or expand infrastructure capacity at existing prison facilities. The funds appropriated by this section may be used for land acquisition, environmental services, architectural programming, engineering assessments, schematic design, preliminary plans, working drawings, and construction.
- SEC. 7. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

As of June 2006, the prison inmate population totaled nearly 172,000. More than 16,000 inmates are being housed in buildings that were not designed as housing units, and all capacity in these non-traditional spaces will be exhausted by June 2007. In order to provide prison capacity beyond 2007, and construct housing units and related program space to replace non-traditional housing, it is necessary that this act take effect immediately.